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SUBJ: EAST JERUSALEM NEWSPAPER DENOUNCED ROME AIRPORT ATTACK

1. IN UNUSUALLY STRONG AND UNEQUIVOCALLY-WORDED EDITORIAL, EAST JERUSALEM ARABIC DAILY EL QUDS DEC 18 DENOUNCED DEC 17 ATTACK ON PANAM PLANE AT ROME AIRPORT AND SUBSEQUENT RELATED ACTIONS. NOTING THAT FACTS NOT CLEAR AT TIME OF WRITING, EDITORIAL DECLARES THAT PERPETRATORS, WHETHER ARABS OR NOT, ARE "IGNORANT, BENT ON DESTRUCTION AND CREATION OF CONFUSION..., POISONED, AND SEETHING WITH HATRED." THE ARABS, WHO ARE TRYING TO OBTAIN THEIR RIGHTS THROUGH PUBLICITY, POLITICAL DIALOGUE, WINNING FRIENDS, AND FINALLY NEGOTIATIONS, IT CONTINUES, ABSOLUTELY REJECT IDEA THAT IRRESPONSIBLE ACTIONS AND HARMFUL EXERCISES SHOULD DISFIGURE THEIR NOBLE EFFORTS. IT CONCLUDES THAT "OUR PROBLEM" IS SO CLEAR AND WEAPONS USED IN ITS DEFENSE SO EFFECTIVE THAT "WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO REJECT ANY ACTION THAT WOULD BLEMISH OUR EFFORTS" AS WELL AS "ANY SUBVERSIVE ACTION" THAT WOULD ENTAIL HARM TO ARAB NATION AND ITS NOBLE
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AND GENUINE STRUGGLE."

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2. COMMENT: IT WOULD APPEAR THAT EDITORIAL MUST HAVE BEEN WRITTEN BEFORE OTHER ARAB (EGYPTION, PLO, ETC.) CONDEMNATIONS OF ACTION WERE KNOWN. IF THIS IN FACT SO, STRONG CRITICISM IS PARTICULARLY NOTEWORTHY. LOCAL PALESTINIAN REACTION TO PAST HIJACKINGS AND SIMILAR FEDAYEEN ACTIONS HAS BEEN AT BEST EQUIVOCAL.
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